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Jamie Raab and Deb Futter
To Start Celadon Books,
A New Division at Macmillan Publishers

Jamie Raab and Deb Futter are joining Macmillan Publishers on September 12, 2017, to form their own division, Celadon Books. Raab will be President and Publisher and Futter Senior Vice President and Co-Publisher. The announcement was made by Don Weisberg, President of Trade Publishing U.S.A. for Macmillan, who added, “I’ve been a fan of Jamie’s from afar for a long time, and I’m thrilled to be working with Deb again.”

Celadon Books will publish a mix of fiction and nonfiction, a highly curated list of twenty to twenty-five new titles a year. The list will strive to publish books that have range, depth, and impact. Reflecting the eclectic taste of Raab and Futter, Celadon Books will draw on their unique ability to publish commercial and literary books and discover and nurture talent.

Jamie Raab was most recently President and Publisher of Grand Central Publishing, an imprint of Hachette Book Group, where she directed the publication of approximately 275 titles per year on Grand Central Publishing’s hardcover, trade paperback and mass market lists as well as overseeing the publishing activities of its imprints, including Twelve, Grand Central Life & Style, and Forever, which were created during her tenure. Raab joined the company (then Warner Books) in 1986 and over her years there acquired and/or edited works by Stephen Colbert, Jon Stewart, Nicholas Sparks, Michael Moore, Nelson DeMille, Robin Roberts, Amy Sedaris, Sandra Brown, Brad Meltzer, Anne Rivers Siddons, Billie Letts, Rafael Yglesias, Jane Goodall, Admiral William H. McRaven, and Al Franken. Ms. Raab earned her B.A. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. She was a long-standing member of the Advisory Board of the Center for Publishing at NYU School of Professional Studies and a board member of Goddard Riverside Community Center, and was named one of the “50 Top Women in Book Publishing” by Book Business magazine.

Deb Futter was most recently Publisher of Twelve and Vice President and Editor in Chief of Grand Central Publishing, where she acquired and edited numerous bestselling and acclaimed books by Noah Hawley, Scott Turow, Ellen DeGeneres, Carole King, Steve Martin, Pete Dexter, Jean Hanff Korellitz, Min Jin Lee and Jane Hamilton. Among the books she acquired for the Twelve list are Living with a Wild God by Barbara Ehrenreich, Drinking in America by Susan Cheever, Let’s Be Less Stupid by Patricia Marx, and Twenty-Six Seconds by Alexandra Zapruder. Futter joined Grand Central in 2007 after spending twenty-five years at various imprints at Random House, where she acquired Jennifer Finney Boylan, Jonathan Dee, Katie Couric, Patrick McGrath, Peggy Orenstein and Deborah Tannen, among many others. She is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College and Columbia University’s Writing Program, and is a past recipient of the Tony Godwin Publishing Award.
About Macmillan
Macmillan Publishers is a global trade book publishing company with prominent imprints around the world. Macmillan publishes a broad range of award-winning books for children and adults in all categories and formats.


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